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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

A total of 65 members and guests attended and all had a great time. It was great that Bill and Bruce made the drive up from Seattle. Also, thank you to all the Island members who make the ocean voyage over each month. Thanks guys!

The meeting did not have as many trains this month but there sure were some great deals to be had. As the Canadian dollar is looking more like the Canadian peso, our meetings have more and more bargains present.

We were informed by Burnaby Parks, that for liability reasons, <u>no one can set</u> foot in the hall until either the Burnaby Parks staff say it is OK or I do. We are also requesting additional tables for our monthly meetings.

I hope the Nanaimo Train Show and the Monroe Train Show both went well, sorry I missed them. I am sure our layout was a huge success at Monroe. Thank you to all who assisted in the set-up, operating and take-down of the layout.

As always, thank you to all who provide the food and drinks at each and every meeting, time after time. Your efforts are really appreciated.

See you at the end of the month.

Mark

2015 CANADIAN CLUB MEETS

all meets at Charles Rummel Community Centre, 3630 Lozells Ave. Burnaby B.C. [doors at 11am, meeting 12:30] UPCOMING MEET DATES: MAR 29, 2015

APR 26, 2015

MAY 31, 2015 JUNE 28, 2015

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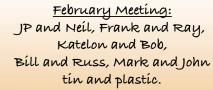
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Víes, John & Kyle score door prízes.





for an interesting online collector magazine: the Train Collectors' Association eTrain www.tcaetrain.org



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if you love the song of the rails, look into Classic Train Songs: www.classictrainsongs.com



#### SIR HANDY BOOBOO PRESENTS: THE "DARTH VADER" TRAIN



THE NANKAI 50000 SERIES, LAUNCHED IN 1994, RUNS ON THE "RAPI:T" LIMITED EXPRESS SERVICE TO THE KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN JAPAN, OPERATED BY THE NANKAI ELECTRIC RAILWAY.

DESIGNED BY ARCHITECT HIROYUKI WAKABAYASHI ON THE THEME "OUTDATED FUTURE", THE TRAIN HAS BEEN NICKNAMED "DARTH VADER" BY SOME.



I GUESS IN CANADA THE THEME OF "OUTDATED FUTURE" WOULD ALREADY BE FILLED BY THE TURBO TRAIN! SIGH.

THANKS SIR BOOBOO FOR THE PROD.

### CTTA VPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 15, 2015 Burnaby, BC Western Rails

Info: <u>westernrails@wcra.org</u>

Mar 21,22 Tacoma, BC 4th Model Railroad Show & Swap Meet, sponsored by Tacoma NW Model Railroad Club <u>tnwmrr@gmail.com</u>

Apr 18 & 19 Calgary, AB Supertrain

Info: <u>www.supertrain.ca</u> ---->

Apr 26, 2015 Nanaimo, BC Info: <u>kj.rutherford@shaw.ca</u> 31st Vancouver Island Spring Model Railroad Show 2015

don't forget to check the website for updates www.canadiantoytrains.org



SUPERTRAIN

Exhibitors' List can be viewed at: http://www.supertrain.ca/ Exhibitors-All-2015.html

> Thanks to Bc Johnson of Calgary for this information



the Pennsylvania Rail Road had a small fleet of Buckwalter electric tractors, which they used to switch freight cars in confined dockside areas of Philadelphia, Baltimore and Jersey City. Originally battery powered when introduced in 1912, they were later converted to gas. See: <u>http://prr.railfan.net/RubberTiredSwitchers.html</u>

You know you are a train nut if: 1) you purchase your dream house overlooking the mainline.

2) you constantly doodle track plans at work when things are slow.

3) you love the smell of coal and cinders in the morning.

4) you purchased your house based on the size of the basement.

thanks Tom (16 more to go)

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